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1. WE WOULD SEE ADVANTAGE, IF ONLY AS A FURTHER SIGNAL, IN AN ICSC RECOMMENDATION THAT THERE BE A FREEZE ON FURTHER UPWARD G-LEVEL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS IN GENEVA UNTIL ALL THE FACTS ARE IN AND THIS SPRING'S EVENTS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY ASSESSED. GIVEN DYNAMICS OF HOW COMMON SYSTEM OPERATES IN GENEVA, WE BELIEVE FOCUS IN FIRST INSTANCE MUST BE ON UN GENEVA SALARIES AND BE CARRIED OUT IN FIFTH COMMITTEE IN FALL. SUGGEST, THEREFORE, THAT FREEZE BE THROUGH THIS PERIOD, RATHER THAN ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES BY ICSC (ALTHOUGH WE HOPE THIS MIGHT BE AN OUTCOME OF FIFTH COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PROBLEM).

2. MEANWHILE, THERE CONTINUES TO BE VAGUENESS HERE ABOUT MECHANICS WHEREBY ICSC MAY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES FOR UN GENEVA AND FOR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS LOCATED HERE. WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING HAMPTON SEEK FULL CLARIFICATION

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FROM FROM MEETING FOR OUR USE AS PLANNING FACTORS HERE.

3. WE HAVE INITIAL INDICATION THAT CONTINUING AUTOMATIC
ARRANGMENTS STILL IN FORCE IN GENEVA AGREEMENTS BETWEEN
EXECUTIVE HEADS AND STAFF ASSOCIATIONS
COULD TRIGGER FURTHER 4.2 PERCENT SALARY INCREASE
AUG 1 UNLESS EXTRAORDINARY STEPS TAKEN. WE WILL
TRY TO TRACK DOWN THIS NEW SURPRISE TOMORROW.
IF TRUE, QUESTION OF FREEZE WOULD BE FAR FROM ACADEMIC
CONSIDERATION.DALE

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